

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 – 3918

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING
THE BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK
FORCE; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Springs (the “City”) Council hereby seeks to establish a task force to be known as the Business and Economic Development Task Force to study, advise, and make recommendations to the City Council with regard to marketing the City, attracting new businesses, supporting existing businesses, and providing a vision for the City’s future economic and business development; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the value of public input and desires to include its residents and business owners in the process of improving the economic and business development of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. That the above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference.

Section 2. Establishing the Business and Economic Development Task Force. The City Council hereby establishes a task force to be known as the Business and Economic Development Task Force (the “Task Force”) to study, advise, and make recommendations to the City Council with regard to marketing the City, attracting new businesses, supporting existing businesses, and providing a vision for the City’s future economic and business development.

Section 3. Duties. The jurisdiction of the Task Force shall be solely advisory and shall include:

- a. Studying, advising, and making recommendations to the City Council with regard to marketing the City, attracting new businesses, and supporting existing businesses;
- b. Providing recommendations to the City Council for the vision of the City’s future economic and business development;

- c. Establishing a dialog with existing members of the City's business community; and
- d. Studying and recommending solutions to other issues referred to the Task Force from time-to-time by the City Council.

Section 4. Terms and Composition of the Task Force.

- a. The Task Force shall be comprised of 11 voting members. The Mayor shall appoint three individuals to the Task Force and each Councilmember shall appoint two individuals to the Task Force. The Task Force members should have expertise or a strong background in business, economics, marketing, or a similar field of business or economics. Task Force members may be residents or business owners or operators within the City; however, non-residents may be appointed to the Task Force as non-voting members.
- b. Task Force members shall be appointed for a term coinciding with the term of office of the appointing Mayor or Councilmember. Members may be reappointed.
- c. Task Force members shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council.
- d. Task Force members shall serve without compensation and shall not be reimbursed for travel, mileage, or per diem expenses.
- e. Task Force members shall not be City employees. Any member who becomes employed by the City during his or her term of office shall be deemed to have resigned as of the start date of his or her employment with the City.
- f. In the event of the resignation or removal of any member of the Task Force, the appointing Mayor or Councilmember shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy on the Task Force for the unexpired portion of the term of the member vacating such office.

Section 5. Meetings; Rules of Procedure.

- a. Beginning in September 2021, the Task Force shall meet monthly or at the call of the Chair. All meetings shall be open to the public, minutes shall be taken, and notice of such meetings shall be provided as required by Florida law.
- b. A majority of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of the majority of those members present shall be required to take action.
- c. The Task Force shall utilize the fundamental parliamentary procedures of Robert's Rules of Order.
- d. During the first meeting of the Task Force, the members shall elect one of their members to act as Chair and Vice-Chair.
- e. The Office of the City Clerk shall provide clerical support to the Task Force.
- f. The Task Force shall be subject to and shall comply with the applicable provisions of City Code Section 32-01.

Section 6. Advisory Capacity; Standards of Conduct. The powers and duties of the Task Force shall be solely of an advisory nature to the City Council. Accordingly, Task Force members shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees as provided in Part III of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, and any other standards of conduct set by federal, state, county, City or other applicable law.

Section 7. Report and Recommendations. The Task Force shall deliver a written report and recommendations (the "Report") on or before September 30, 2022. The Report shall address the business and economic development of the City, including but not limited to, the City's existing business environment, identification of properties within the City that are designated for business/commercial uses that are unutilized or underutilized, and what measures the City Council and staff may take to improve the City's commercial areas, attract new businesses to the City, and support existing businesses within the City.

Section 8. Dissolution. The Task Force shall exist until September 30, 2022, or until the Task Force delivers its written report and recommendations to the City

Commission, whichever comes first; provided, however, that the City Council may, by an affirmative motion or resolution, dissolve or extend the term of the Task Force.

Section 9. Authorization. The City Council authorizes the City Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Attorney to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

Section 10. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilman Vazquez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bravo and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Vice Mayor Bob Best	<u>NO</u>
Councilwoman Jacky Bravo	<u>YES</u>
Councilwoman Dr. Walter Fajet	<u>YES</u>
Councilman Dr. Victor Vazquez	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Maria Puente Mitchell	<u>YES</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of June, 2021.



MARIA PUENTE MITCHELL
MAYOR

ATTEST:



ERIKA GONZALEZ, MMC
CITY CLERK



APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS ONLY:



WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN COLE & BIERMAN, P.L.
CITY ATTORNEY